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PERTINENT TOPICS DISCUSSED BY H. C.

The tricks the weather plays on the forecasts is hardly cricket. On several occasions this winter it has done something the forecasters said it would not do and it left undone some things they said it would do. That's not playing the game. Many years ago, it did the same to an official of the meteorological bureau at Chicago. He gave up the job in disgust and left the city. The reason he gave for leaving Chicago was that the climate didn't agree with him.

President Roosevelt tells railway managers and unions to get together and put the railways in better financial condition. He warns them that co-operative action will be better than legislation for them. He is wasting breath. Successive Canadian Ministers of Railways have given this advice time and again. It would be unfair to say it was without result, but jealousy among managers and the inflexibility of union leaders confined the results to circumscribed limits. Sometimes, when the managements agreed to cut out duplications or non-profitable sections, the unions resisted, sometimes the public did. The economies effected were but a fraction of those that are necessary and desirable.

Some German newspapers tell Britain that if she engages in sanctions against Germany, she will lose all her investments in that country. The security does not seem to be very good, but investors knew they were dealing with a country that had little respect for international obligations. We speak now of German governments, not of individual Germans. They are just as honorable as other people and usually live up to their obligations. The ex-Kaiser and the present dictator have made conditions very unpleasant for German-Canadians whom we regard as among our very best settlers. They mind their own business, they are thrifty, they pay their debts and do not organize to influence elections or to gain concessions.

Forced conversion of loans is partial repudiation but if the Alberta government does it, it will not be disallowed by the federal government which did not disallow Ontario legislation voiding contracts upon which bonds had been sold to the public. It was to just such cases, however, that the power of disallowance was granted. A province may pass what legislation it pleases so long as it does not affect the rights or interests of people in other provinces or countries. Disallowance is a power which federal governments hesitate to exercise but they should exercise it when provincial acts mar the credit or the general interest of Canada.

An elder statesman at Ottawa reproved a new member for using the expression "unilateral agreement." The exception is well taken. An agreement cannot be made unilaterally but alas it can be broken that way. That's why treaties do not remain intact for long.

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CHURCH OF CHRIST YOUNG PEOPLE TO CONVENE HERE

Young People of the Churches of Christ of Alberta are holding a convention in Vulcan during the coming Easter week-end. Delegates are expected from Calgary, Lethbridge and other points. Delegates will arrive Good Friday morning. Convention sessions will be held Friday afternoon and evening. Mr. Phillips, minister of the Church of Christ of Lethbridge, will deliver an illustrated lecture during one of the sessions. His address will cover his recent visit to the church convention in England.

The convention will continue on Saturday with delegates convening both afternoon and evening. An Easter banquet, to be held in the basement of the church, will bring the convention to a close.

On Sunday morning the Young People's groups and others will gather for a sunrise prayer meeting. After the prayer meeting the delegates will attend the regular church services en masse.

Vulcan Hi-Schoolers Win League Championship

Locals Win First Game on Home Ice 5-1 and Drop Second Contest at High River 2-1—Bring Home the Bank of Commerce Trophy on Total Goal Count.

Late in the season, hockey honors come to Vulcan. One championship honor for this season is held by a Vulcan team—the High school boys, who won the final in the Foothills High School league playing against the High River team and are now in possession of the Bank of Commerce cup, a handsome trophy, emblematic of the championship. The championship was won on a total goal count in a two-game series. Vulcan won the first game on home ice 5-1. The second game was played at High River on Monday evening and resulted in a win for the players of the foothills town, 2-1. But Vulcan took the long end of the count 6-3 on total goals to capture the trophy.

Reports say that the game was played on keen ice and before a representative crowd of admirers of both clubs. An excellent display of hockey was provided the fans by the High school students. High River scored one in the first frame, Orton from McNally. The middle frame was scoreless with the defence on both teams playing an exceptional class of guarded hockey. High River saw chances of overcoming Vulcan's lead established in the first game when A. McNally scored on a pass from L. McNally early in the final stanza. But their hopes were dashed when K. Fisher scored unassisted for the Vulcans a short while after. Thus Vulcan clinched the series and the championship.

The game was made interesting to both teams by the appearance of Paul Runge, a Boston Bruin star, who handled the whistle throughout the sixty minutes, assisted by A. Y. McCordale of High River.

Lineup of Teams:

High River—Skory; Ellis, Capers; Ballachey, L. McNally, Orton; A. McNally, Wiley, Dick, Perry.

Vulcan—Lundgren; Wismer, Bien-gessner, G. Fisher, Ulrich, K. Fisher; Weale, Hill, Willard.

UNITED CHURCH EASTER SERVICES

Senior Choir Will Present Easter Cantata, "The Redemption Song" During Evening Service; Good Friday Services Will Be Held.

Easter services at the Vulcan United church have been arranged for Good Friday and Easter Sunday. At the Good Friday service the Junior choir will render selection of Easter music. For that occasion Rev. P. G. McPherson has selected as his subject, "He saved others, Himself He cannot save." Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed during the morning service on Easter Sunday when reception will be given new members. The Junior choir will sing Easter selections.

Rev. P. G. McPherson has selected for his subject for Sunday evening "The Life That Is Eternal." Easter hymns will be chosen for the congregation. During this service the Senior choir will present the Easter cantata, "The Redemption Song." Sections of the cantata will include opening chorus, A New Song; men's chorus, Ride on in Majesty; duet by Misses Mayme Lebeau and Rose Hartwig, Midnight in the Garden; solo by Mr. William Walker, And He, bearing His Cross, went Forth; chorus by the choir, Now Upon the First Day of the Week; mezzo-soprano solo by Mrs. D. A. Alldred, Death Is Swallowed Up in Victory, with chorus by the choir; choral chorus, The Song of the Redeemed; soprano solo by Miss R. Hartwig, Behold I Stand at the Door and Knock; bass solo by Mr. Walker, We Shall See Jesus, with chorus; finale—chorus by the choir, Rejoice and Be Glad.

"This Easter Sunday, the great day in Christendom; let us all go to church."

Local Gleanings

W. D. Allan has been on the sick list for many days now, confined to his home. Friends hope for a speedy recovery.

The Ladies' Guild of St. Aldhelm's church will hold an Easter tea and parcel post sale, also a sale of home-cooking, on Saturday, April 11th commencing at 3 p.m. in the church hall.

The Town of Vulcan had a balance of \$6,368.27 at the 31st day of March, 1936. This was shown on the financial statement for the month of March presented to the councillors at the Town Council meeting Monday evening. Receipts for March totaled \$495.21, while payments for the same month totaled \$3,141.53.

On Saturday evening the Vulcan Hi-School hockey team played a team billed as the Vulcan Oilers, a team of former school players and "scrub" pucksters, in the local arena. It was a challenge game of a kind and brought forth lusty cheers from supporters of both sides. The "scrubs" proved a little too much for the High school boys and won the contest with a 5-4 score.

E. G. Hansell, M.P., minister of the Church of Christ, Vulcan, who is spending the Easter recess of the House of Commons here, will deliver the sermons at the local church next Sunday. He has chosen for his topics, a.m., "Christ in You the Hope and Glory"; p.m., "God's Plan for Every Man's Life." This will be Mr. Hansell's only Sunday with his congregation before returning to Ottawa next week.

When warm winds melted snow on the streets Sunday, the men employed by the town had a busy time. The culvert at the main intersection on Vulcan street had become plugged with ice and the water overflowed, flooding cellars along the avenue. The town water pump was placed in action and the situation was relieved on Monday when the ice was taken from the culvert. With the warm winds, since Sunday, men have been busy in various parts of the town clearing culverts so that the water might drain to lower levels.

Following weeks of cold weather, a chinook wind broke the long severe wintry spell on Monday evening. For the past two weeks the thermometer had dipped to 10 below zero practically every night, and this combined with drifting snow made conditions serious for stock and travelling. Since Monday evening warm weather has prevailed and the snow is rapidly disappearing. Road conditions are bad and it will be probably two months before they are in perfect condition. The spring season is a late one for the farmers. Land will be unworkable for some weeks yet.

Canada's Financial Record Good In U. S.

From Morning Albertan:—Describing Canada's financial record as "a very good one, indeed," the New York Herald Tribune points out in its financial page on April 2 that the failure of Alberta to redeem \$3,200,000 in bonds does not add that province to the list of foreign borrowers in default on United States dollar obligations, for the time being at least.

The issue on which payment was not made on the date of maturity was payable only in Canadian financial centres, the newspaper says. The next maturity of that province that is payable in New York is a \$1,650,000 issue of 4½'s due June 1, 1937.

The Herald Tribune adds: "Actual defaults of Canadian government units on United States dollar issues are confined to the municipalities of Prince Rupert and St. Boniface, Man., the amount involved being \$1,480,050."

"Even if the Alberta default is extended to other maturities the Canadian record still will be a very good one, indeed, for there are \$1,775,905,000 of Canadian government, provincial and municipal issues outstanding which were floated in the United States."

Town Council Grant Permit for Stucco Finish Warehouse

Refuse to Grant Permit When Building Is of Iron Construction—Routine Business Transacted Monday Evening.

Councillors of the Town of Vulcan assembled at the office of the secretary-treasurer for their April meeting on Monday evening. All were present except Deputy Mayor Allan, who has been on the sick list. Business of the evening included routine passing of accounts and reading of correspondence.

An application from Great West Distributors to build an oil warehouse 16 x 24 ft. on Lots 1, 2 and 3, Block 5, of iron construction. Moved by Councillor Dobbs that no permit be granted to erect that type of building. Motion carried, Mayor King dissenting and Councillor Arney being excused from voting. Later in the meeting the council resolved that the Great West Distributors be granted a permit to build a stucco building of size 16 x 24 on Lots 1, 2 and 3, Block 5.

Permission was granted Mrs. C. B. Shimp to have Mr. Shimp included in contract to purchase property on Lots 23 and 24, Block 1.

Mayor King read the statistical report of the Foothills Health Unit for the past three months.

Second Novelty Bonspiel Successful

Curling enthusiasts had an enjoyable time during the last ten days and made a successful termination to their second novelty bonspiel of recent date. Most of the rink enticed were skipped by the fair-sex. The ladies demonstrated that, with little practice, they would soon be in position to give the old die-hards some pointers about the game. Jack Frost had the ice in perfect condition, keen and very suitable for the ladies. Good curling was indicated throughout the 'spiel by some very small scores.

Results of the Bonspiel
Sixteen rinks were entered in the primary competition, results of which are listed below. In the eights, Miss Lebeau defeated Bill Black; Miss F. Marshall defeated Miss Mackintosh; Mrs. Lebeau defeated Mrs. Munro; Mrs. Denbigh defeated Mrs. McFarlane; Eddie Love defeated Miss Zang; Mrs. Patriquin defeated Miss Crockett; Mrs. McAllister defeated Mrs. Peterson; Mrs. Ulrich defeated Mrs. Mackintosh. In the next draw, the fours, Miss Mackintosh defeated Miss Lebeau; Mrs. Denbigh defeated Mrs. Lebeau; Ed. Love defeated Mrs. Patriquin; Mrs. Ulrich defeated Mrs. McAllister. Mrs. Denbigh advanced to the finals of the event by defeating Miss Mackintosh. Mrs. Ulrich was successful in her game against Eddie Love. Mrs. Ulrich won the final game, playing against the Denbigh rink.

Secondary Competition

Losers in the first draw of the primary competition dropped down to the secondary event. In the first draw of this event Bill Black won over Miss Marshall; Mrs. McFarlane over Mrs. Munro; Miss Zang over Miss Crockett; Mrs. Mackintosh over Mrs. Peterson. Mrs. McFarlane advanced to the finals by taking the long end of a score over Bill Black. Miss Zang's rink defeated Mrs. Mackintosh's quartette to enter the same position in the event. The Zang rink successfully defended the championship honors in the play by winning over Mrs. McFarlane.

Sidelights of the 'Spiel
The back-benchers watching Jim Marshall draw to the tete. . . Errett King missing his shot (the first time this year). . . Mrs. Ulrich getting a six end against Love. . . Another lady skip placing six to count and raising her opponent in for shot. . . The fans thrilled at some close finishes. . . Some of the players staying awake all night thinking of the game.

Miss Marion Hartford, student at the University of Alberta, is spending the Easter holidays at Vulcan.

Harmony Councillors Set Municipal Rate at 7 Mills

Local Gleanings

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Maber left on Monday evening for an extended visit to the Pacific coast.

Friends of Gordon McKay will be pleased to learn that he was released from the Vulcan municipal hospital early this week.

Elaine Margaret Bendickson, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Con Bendickson, aged 8 months, died Tuesday, March 31st. Funeral services were held from the family home on Thursday, April 2nd. Interment was made in the Vulcan cemetery.

J. McQuarrie of the Vulcan district was bereaved on Monday when his father, Daniel McQuarrie, farmer of the Shepard district, died. The late Mr. McQuarrie was 59 years of age. Funeral services were held Thursday, April 9th, in Calgary, with interment in the Burnsland cemetery.

The regular monthly meeting of the Mothers' Auxiliary to the Boy Scouts and Cubs was held at the home of Mrs. C. W. Thompson on Wednesday, April 1st, with a good attendance of members present. It was reported that the cupboard for the dishes in the Scout hall was completed and ready for use. Final plans for the Vimy banquet were completed. The May meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Christie.

Miss M. McLeod, superintendent of the Vulcan municipal hospital, wishes to thank the following people for donations, all of which were greatly appreciated: Mrs. A. T. Martin, eggs; Mrs. Sytella, fowl and eggs; Mr. and Mrs. P. Clark, vegetables. Miss McLeod extends many thanks to the Mission Band of the United church for the donation of scrap books for use in the children's wards. This kind action of the group was greatly appreciated.

Business men of Vulcan were warned this week by the local detachment of R.C.M.P. to be on the lookout for counterfeit \$10 Bank of Canada notes. A photostatic copy of one such bill was shown around so that all might acquaint themselves with the bogus money. The bills in circulation are that of a \$2 Bank of Canada raised to a \$10 one. The work of the counterfeiters is clever and deceptive, however careful examination will reveal plenty of errors.

A good number of dancers attended the April Fool's day dance sponsored by the Elks' lodge in the Odd Fellows' hall on Wednesday, April 1st. The novelty of the evening was the drawing for some 25 door prizes. As the names of the winners were called, they came forward for the presentation. The unwrapping of these packages proved very surprising to some—of course it was April Fool's day and everything went. Articles were of variety of manufacture from paper to cloth. However, Joe Dobbs says all prizes were useful. Len Davis and his orchestra provided music for the occasion.

Livestock Figures Alberta Ranks High

The livestock population of Canada was as follows in 1935:

Horses	2,931,337
Cattle	8,820,600
Sheep	3,399,100
Swine	3,549,200
All poultry	56,768,800
Hens and Chickens alone	53,062,900

In Alberta:

Horses	691,300
Cattle	1,604,200
Sheep	639,600
Swine	809,100
All poultry	6,404,100
Hens and chickens alone	5,783,200

Alberta, with 800,000 people, has about 7½ per cent of the whole population of Canada.

But we have more than 20 per cent of the horse population; more than 18 per cent of the cattle; some 19 per cent of the sheep; more than 20 per cent of the swine, and more than 10 per cent of the poultry.

We have the livestock. All we want now is better, more stable markets.—Lethbridge Herald.

Discount Will Be Allowed on Current Taxes from 10 to 5 Per Cent; Council Will Not Consider Land Settlement Scheme Plans

The regular monthly meeting of the Council of the Municipal District of Harmony, No. 128, at Champion, Friday, April 10th, all members of the Council were present, and Reeve Griffin presided.

Adjutant Waterston of the Salvation Army, interviewed the Council in respect to the 1936 grant. Councillor Smith moved that they approve a grant of \$100 as in previous year. Carried.

Councillor Smith moved that the refund held by the Municipal District be turned over to the Canadian Bank of Commerce. Carried.

Councillor Ellis moved that accounts presented in respect to Thelma Closs, L.I. Groves and Ted Davis be tabled. Carried.

Secretary read correspondence from the Department in respect to Highway contract. On motion of Councillor Ellis, same was ordered tabled. Carried.

Councillor Smith moved that resolution be forwarded to Ottawa in respect to the Canadian Wheat Board. Carried.

Correspondence was read from H. Coffey of Vulcan, in respect to additional relief for April, and on motion of Councillor Matlock, the secretary was instructed to advise that no further issues will be forthcoming. Carried.

Application for settlement under the Land Settlement Scheme, was read from Mr. E. Larkins, and after a lengthy discussion, Councillor Somerville moved that this Council do not consider such plans at the present time. Carried unanimously.

The Council discussed the fuel oil situation, and secretary was instructed to draft up a by-law, and that we ask the provincial government for a loan of \$2,500.00 to carry out the programme. Councillor Somerville put this matter in the form of a motion, same being carried.

Secretary presented an account from the General Hospital, and on motion of Councillor Matlock, same was ordered tabled. Carried.

Councillor Smith moved that Municipal District adopt a by-law in respect to discounts, and that the following tables apply: 10 per cent discount on current taxes paid on or before June 1st, 1936; 7 per cent discount on current taxes paid on or before September 1st, 1936; 5 per cent discount on current taxes paid on or before December 15th, 1936. The motion carried four to two, Reeve Griffin and a Councillor being opposed. Carried.

Councillor Ellis moved that we set the mill rate at 6 mills. The motion lost.

Councillor Hopkins moved that we set a rate of 7 mills for 1936. Motion carried.

Councillor Matlock moved that the Reeve, Secretary and Councillor Hopkins, be appointed as a committee to make a deal with William Cherneff and that they be authorized to act as they see fit, and arrive at some settlement with this man, in respect to the S. 17-14-24-4. Carried.

Councillor Matlock moved that adjournment at 6.45 p.m.

Daily Anecdote

Prepared for The Christian Science Monitor

One day a rumor ran through the corridors of one of the Washington hospitals, where Union soldiers were convalescing, that President Lincoln was in the building and would soon pass through. Among the inmates who arose and stood at attention that the might salute their chief, was a member of the 144th Pennsylvania Infantry. This man stood six feet seven inches in his stocking feet.

As the President, who was six feet four inches tall, approached he espied this tall man and stopped short. He looked him up and down, making no effort to conceal his amazement. Then he extended his hand. "Hello, comrade!" he said, "Do you know when your feet get cold?"

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OUR PIONEER HISTORY

The death of Colonel Walker of Calgary, is a reminder that the links which bind us to the pioneer generation of Alberta are loosening one by one. The history of his life is also a reminder of the energy and resourcefulness which characterized those of Alberta's first generation. One by one these older people are passing on, but they have left with us the record of their lives. Upon the foundations which they laid, upon the codes which they observed the succeeding generations are building. Are we building as wisely as they?

Looking back to those early years fifty or sixty years ago, one envisions the unpopulated immensity of the land which confronted the early settlers. Something of that immensity was reflected in their generous and tolerant outlook, stamping itself on character as a distinctively old-timer quality. This country was theirs to mould and tame, to fashion into a land of homes and of thriving industry. They must at times have been overwhelmed. But slowly and steadily the structure rose, from its first crude frame work to the present. The work which they began so valiantly is still far from complete, but it is a miracle of achievement.

We of the present are inclined to think of those early years of the seventies and eighties as a period of hardship and deprivations, perhaps dwelling too little on the stimulating sense of accomplishment which must have followed the hand-to-hand struggles with untamed nature. It was no land for weaklings, but it was a land of opportunity, an invigorating land of untapped resources. They set an example of resourcefulness of courage and faith to which those who follow them sometimes fail to measure up.

There is something inspiring in the fact that we in Alberta are still in direct touch with many of our earliest pioneers. How few places in the world can make a similar boast! Most peoples must delve into antiquity and plough through centuries before reaching their first builders. We are in daily contact with the first founders of Alberta. This is a circumstance so arresting, so vital and dramatic—and unfortunately so fleeting—that it seems to merit infinitely more attention than it receives.

So little is made of this in our schools. Within our own associations is the history of lives lived valiantly, of exploration and frontier settlement, of primitive perils met and conquered. We are sacrificing a record of something near and vivid and impressive, for the sake of vague figures in the dusty past.

Our pioneers, and we ourselves who are directly linked with those pioneers, are the founders of Alberta tradition and standards. And what little thought we give that fact, and how rarely we impress it upon our children.

THE PROPOSED LOAN COUNCIL

(From Farm and Ranch Review)

Major Douglas has denounced in vigorous terms the idea of the proposed "Loan Council" for Canada. He alleges that a similar body in Australia has had an unsuccessful career. The Australian loan council has been in operation for ten years. It was forced upon the various states through conditions very similar to those now prevailing in Canada. Our information is, that it has been quite successful and has been an important factor in the improved position of that country.

It is difficult to see how the Federal Government of Canada could underwrite the loans of our provinces, so as to secure the consequent low interest rate, without exercising a measure of control on the future borrowings of any province which finds itself compelled to ask for such assistance and guarantees. To deny this would seem to indicate an unreasonable attitude and would undoubtedly result in the destruction of the whole plan. It is to be hoped that wise counsels will prevail.

It is apparent that unless the Western provinces can refund existing public loans at a substantial reduction in the rates of interest, there is little hope of a balanced budget, without a rate of taxation absolutely beyond the capacity of the people to pay. This is a matter of greatest importance. It cannot be successfully carried through without approaching the subject in a "give and take" spirit. If provincial autonomy in contracting further public debt must be partly sacrificed, the object is well worth it.

**Motor Insurance
May Be Available**

Government insurance to meet the hospital and medical expenses of motorists injured in automobile accidents may be provided within the next year out of the \$1 annual driver's license now being charged all motorists in Alberta, it was predicted Friday by Hon. E. C. Manning, Provincial Secretary.

"We have estimated," he said, "that 50 cents out of each dollar can provide a fund which can be set up as insurance by the government. Out of this, medical and hospital expenses of any of the insured motorists can be paid. Such insurance would not only protect a motorist from lawsuits resulting from automobile accidents but it might be extended to include protection for passengers or others involved, beside the driver of wrecked cars. That has not been decided."

The University of Chicago following the organization of "Veterans of future wars" which is sweeping U.S.A. in sateiric mood, advocates the payment of a pre-war bonus, the funds to be obtained from the unpaid interest on unpaid debts from the last war.

HEAVY GUNS

A minister who locks horns with Messrs. Bennett and Cahan on two successive days needs to be pretty well prepared. The former is by all odds the most formidable figure on the opposition side. He is the cleverest man in the House in the art of making stinging reply. He "batted down" the adroit Arthur Slaght and the bold Gordon Ross without effort. And Mr. Cahan is no mean adversary. He has a mind of singular acuteness and analytical skill; he has the momentum of a battleship under full steam. He is the most ponderous figure in the House. But "Jimmy" Gardiner of Saskatchewan, like the light swift ships of Drake, took on these heavy Spanish galleons, and made a good fight of it.—Lethbridge Herald.

BONERS

A posture is what you keep cows in. Peat is a boy's name. To behead means to be a leader. Maim is a girl's name. Cite is what you have to see with. A myth is an unmarried lady. Front meant the opposite to the back.

MORE AND BETTER ROADS

At the present moment Albertans are not in a demanding mood, or at any rate are not confident that the government will bend a listening ear to any demands. Alberta is something of a stepchild in Canada's house, with an outlook not too rosy. So it is perhaps quite futile to bring up the subject of roads.

However the Dominion Government is considering a road program, with large expenditure. One part of this program is for roads financed purely by Ottawa. The other will include joint provincial-dominion undertakings. What this may mean so far as Alberta is concerned is yet unknown.

Good roads are the key to any expansion of the tourist trade, and the reason that Ontario carries off such a large share of the tourist revenue of Canada is because of its excellent highways.

Because of the immense distances and other contributing factors, Western roads are relatively deplorable. It is idle to boast of our national parks, our matchless mountain scenery and our wealth of game, unless the roads of the province give smooth access to these attractions. So long as our highways bring discomfort in travel, unexpected expense and unhappy experiences, we cannot expect to share as we should in the very profitable tourist industry. And in this we are all the losers. If we cannot capitalize on our distinctive Alberta attractions, we are falling behind the modern procession.

The conditions in Europe will tend to discourage a proportion of the people of United States from holidaying overseas. This continent is likely to be thrown back on itself to a greater extent as a safe and sane holiday ground. There are indications of a greatly increased flow of tourists to and fro, across the line. If Alberta had a smooth network of roads linking up the numerous scenic points, it could be confident of drawing into this province a great share of the trade. Publicity would be an easy matter, once the road foundation was assured. But to invite people accustomed to the comfort of paved highways, to submit themselves to our roads, would be to invite unfavorable publicity.

It is hoped that some arrangement can be made by which the province of Alberta will share in the proposed road program of the Dominion.

BRITISH DIPLOMACY

All Anglo Saxon peoples are following with admiration, the efforts of British diplomats, notably Anthony Eden, to maintain peace and bring about a new understanding in Europe. If they can succeed in allaying the suspicions and fears between France and Germany, bred and nurtured through generations, they will have lifted a cloud from the world, and have made a contribution to world future that will rank as one of the achievements of all time.

The British temperament, with the disposition to face the present rather than revive the past, with the ability to view calmly the claims both of France and Italy, is evident in all negotiations and discussions. This role of peace maker is wearing and costly in all its implications, but it is a role which no nation but Britain could carry.

Although it might be expected that British diplomats would dismiss from discussion the circumstances of the great war and its causes, yet it is surprising to find such a proportion of the British people ready and eager to accord a new deal to the German people. There is apparently little overhang of animosity.

They visualize the unfortunate condition of the German Rhineland, and the impregnability of the French frontier, built up unceasingly during the past seven years. Military genius has been masterly in the concealing of these French fortifications, but they are there studied with big guns, traps and barriers of great ingenuity. Belgian frontiers are said to be similarly safeguarded.

Mediating between Germany's avowed claims of injustice, and France's avowed fear of attack is a great task. Yet it is believable that none of these adjacent countries actually want war. If Germany can give Europe dependable assurance of her desire to work peacefully with other nations, it is possible that some of the impositions which have so restricted her may be removed.

ROYAL MAXIMS

The late King George had six beautiful maxims hanging on the walls of his study at Buckingham Palace. These would serve admirably as a code for individuals and organizations the world over.

Teach me to be obedient to the rules of the game.

Teach me to distinguish between sentiment and sentimentality—admiring the one and dispising the other.

Teach me neither to proffer nor to receive cheap praise.

If I am called upon to suffer let me be like a well bred beast that goes away to suffer in silence.

Teach me to win if I may; if I may not win, then above all, teach me to be a good loser.

Teach me neither to cry for the moon nor over spilt milk.

**Consideration In
General Refunding**

Speaking on the new refunding bill of Alberta bonds, Hon. Charles Cockroft, provincial treasurer, stated that every consideration would be given to holders of provincial savings certificates in the general refunding of the provincial debt of \$160,000,000. It was shown that the government intended to offer a bond issue to pay off holders of savings certificates. Demand and term certificates represent between \$9,000,000 and \$10,000,000. Mr. Cockroft also pointed out that in cases of acute necessity the people were being taken care of in redeeming the certificates.

R. J. Magor, financial adviser in appearing before the legislature stated that Alberta conditions at present did not warrant suspension of the Alberta Legislature, non-appointment of a commission as had been done in Newfoundland.

The King's birthday on June 23, when King Edward VIII will be 42 years of age, will be a statutory holiday in Canada when banks and financial institutions will be closed.

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Pertinent Topics Discussed by H.C.

(Continued from Front Page)

Sir Oswald Mosely, the English Fascist who has been under eclipse since the Fascist adventure in Ethiopia, has come out of his retirement. He made a fiery speech for Fascism but won no applause until he launched a savage attack against Jews. This spirit is spreading. A French Canadian organization is preaching a boycott of Jews in Montreal.

A police magistrate in Hamilton declined to show any clemency to a man who pleaded guilty to a charge of theft but asked for clemency on the ground that he was drunk at the time. The magistrate said a man will not do when he is drunk what he will not do when sober. There is a fault in this generalization. We knew a man once who, when "fou" would give away almost anything he had, yet he was born in Aberdeen.

What ever effect it may have on the Alberta government, the welching of Major Douglas ought to write "Finis" to his career. It is futile for him to go on expounding his theories when he passes up the first chance he has had to put them into practice.

The retrial of Meisner ended in his acquittal but the jury took seven hours to reach that verdict. All the witnesses who previously had sworn

to his identification stuck to it, except the kidnapped man himself, John Labatt. The crown attorney who prosecuted him in the previous trial went into the box and expressed the opinion that he was innocent. The judge found no fault with the verdict although he said it might well have been the other way. Three men are now serving terms for the crime and the fourth, Albert Pegram, will probably join his comrades soon.

Italy joined Britain, France and Belgium in condemning the militarization of Rhineland and will go the limit provided sanctions against Italy are dropped. How they can drop sanctions in one case and apply them in another with any show of consistency is not apparent, nor is it apparent how Italy can with straight face, sanction sanctions against Germany which she condemned when exercised against herself. In the flux of events now it is impossible for any country to pursue a course without variability or shadow of turning. Consistency is a jewel that has to be pawned sometimes when emergencies arise and exigencies call the turn.

The canon of the Liverpool cathedral omitted prayers for the King and his Ministers because he disapproved of their action in the Rhineland controversy. He did this with the approval of the Dean and Chapter. We had always thought it was when they were wrong or likely to go wrong that they needed the prayers of God's people most. Some years ago when the Ontario government decided to give the people 4.4 beer we heard a preacher pray on a Sabbath morning and he told the Lord straight that the government was making a mistake. And he was right. It was too weak for people who wanted real beer and too strong for people who didn't want any. But the point is that he did not withhold his prayers, but on the contrary made use of them to expound his own views and confound his opponents.

A heavy snow storm swept over Eastern Canada on March 17th. At Oshawa, the snow-removal appropriation having been exhausted, a call was made to men on relief to man the shovels, but not one turned up. They were out on strike against a reduction in cash relief. Charity suffereth long and is kind, but this incident shows it has no reason to be puffed up.

We are not finicky about it. If anyone else undertakes to look after our debts we'll waive our financial autonomy which is no great shakes lately, anyway. As a matter of fact it was through exercising our own financial

autonomy that we first got into debt

The incidence of a commercial treaty are like the imponderables of war, as Hon. W. D. Euler is discovering. The Washington treaty dealt a severe blow to the furniture trade and now legislation introduced at Washington tends to nullify the American reduction in the duty on spirits, and his county of Waterloo is heavily interested in both these commodities. Mr. King and Mr. Euler express themselves as being concerned about the new move at Washington but when the effect upon furniture was discovered, it was intimated that the matter would be "adjusted" at Ottawa. If they want the treaty to live for any length of time, these unilateral moves had better be avoided.

The significant thing is that although divisions showed big majorities for the treaty, yet over twenty government supporters refrained from voting. Most of them were Quebec members who want no commitments with other countries, not even the United Kingdom nor France nor the United States. They are breaking away from the Liberal as they did from the Conservative party. They are Nationalists dreaming of a separate State based on the French language and the Roman Catholic religion. They almost swept the Taschereau government out of power in the recent provincial elections and are making inroads now in the federal field.

The increase in exports to the United States because of the treaty is accounted for to a large extent by the heavy shipments of spirits since the duty was cut in two by the treaty. The proposed decree which gives the government great concern would stop bottled liquors being exported. The concession given our distillers was earned in advance when the King government, Mr. Bennett assenting, thought it neighborly to assist in enforcing the Volstead Act by prohibiting the export of liquor to any prohibition country. Our distillers and their shareholders lost heavily because of this embargo and the Canadian treasury lost about twelve million dollars a year in excise revenue. It was gratuitous on our part, and we expressed the opinion at the time that the majority of our neighbors would not regard it as neighborly.

A kaleidoscope has nothing on the European moving picture, the scenes shift so rapidly. A few weeks ago, Mussolini had the front page now Hitler has it. Italy was very sore at Britain; now she joins Britain against German remilitarization of the Rhineland and agrees to become a co-guarantor with Britain on behalf of France and Belgium. The war in Ethiopia had the spotlight; now there's no use going on with it, for the spotlight is trained on the Rhineland. The League of Nations, imposing sanctions against Italy—and discussing further sanctions, is willing to drop them all and turn its attention to sanctions against Germany. The only country that has been consistent all through the piece is France. She demands security as she did of yore.

Yet there are people who believe France is responsible for bringing about the present condition. Conspicuous among them is Lloyd George, and he had a lot of experience with France and French statesmen. We rather think Winston Churchill agrees with him and that many other Englishmen do also. A few years ago France was afraid of Italy and made an alliance with her which Hitler could well have objected to as he did later when France made a similar arrangement with Russia. Germany was a glad signatory to Locarno, but these separate agreements show France's mistrust. Hitler now comes forward with evidence to prove that her mistrust was well-founded.

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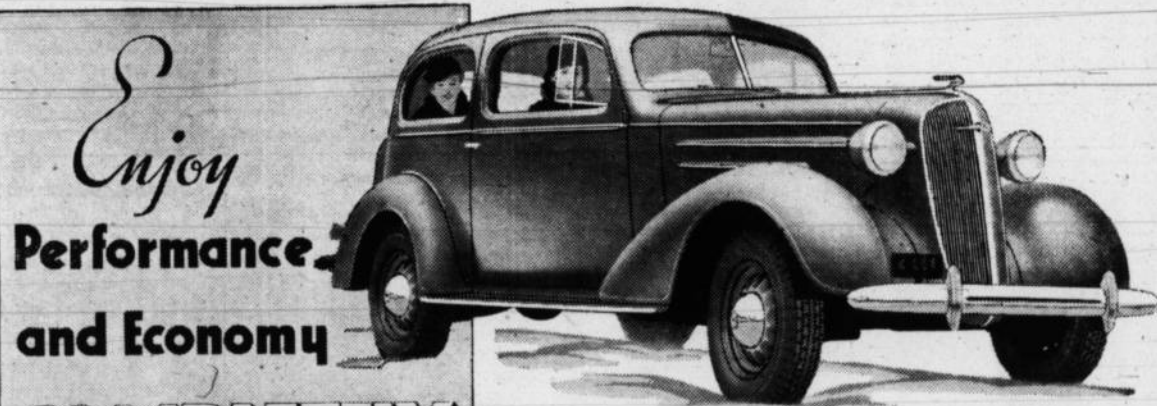
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**OTTAWA O
SPOTLIGHT**

(By Wilfrid Eggleston)

Ottawa, April 7.—Premier Aberhart and Hon. Charles Dunning occupied prominent places on the political stage last week; and an important issue came to a head. The correspondence between Ottawa and Edmonton regarding the Alberta loan was tabled in the House, and afterwards the Minister of Finance received the Press Gallery in his office for a prolonged interview. This is an appropriate place to review in the simplest language what has happened.

1. During the depression the four western provinces reached a position in that they could not collect sufficient taxes to meet their obligations. They were unable to sell bonds to the public at any terms short of ruinous ones, if at all. There had been no one to turn to, they would at that time been compelled to default, or reach a compromise with their creditors.

2. The Dominion government, taking the stand that to allow a province to default was a blow to federal credit, came to their assistance with loans. These grew from about \$25,000,000 in 1931-32 to a total at present over \$110,000,000.

3. The present government shortly after it came into power, took the stand that this business could not continue; that to allow it to go on would be to destroy federal credit and bring about a collapse.

4. At the Dominion-Provincial conference in December 1935 this attitude was made known. At the same time Ottawa offered to assist the provinces to rehabilitate themselves in any mutually satisfactory manner. The plan which was adopted, after careful study of five or six, was this: The federal government agreed, on certain conditions to guarantee provincial bonds so as to cut the interest rate from five, and six per cent to three per cent or thereabouts.

5. Complete refunding of the loans of any western province with a saving such as indicated above would largely solve their financial problems and enable them to balance their budgets. The Dominion only agreed, however, to such a guarantee on terms the province could enroll in a 'loan council,' which would supervise future provincial borrowings.

6. This 'loan council' idea, involving a pledge of provincial subsidies, required an amendment of the B.N.A. act. The necessary petition to London was drafted. The provinces at that time agreed with the idea, but one of two later on expressed some doubts about it. Ottawa has not proceeded with the petition.

7. Alberta had a loan of \$2,000,000 which came due on Jan. 15th, and which it was unable to meet. The federal government came to the rescue, advancing the great bulk of the money, and with no conditions of any kind. But it was indicated that it was the last loan on those terms.

8. Premier Aberhart took the stand that he could not endorse the loan council because it meant the surrender of the province's right to borrow as much and as often as it should deem advisable. Its financial autonomy, in other words.

9. Alberta had an issue of \$3,200,000 coming due on April 1st. It had only \$550,000 on hand to meet it. Ottawa was asked to supply the remainder, on the same terms as on January 1st.

10. The Minister of Finance at Ottawa reiterated that no more money was to be advanced from the federal treasury without an undertaking to go into the loan council.

11. Alberta said in reply that after having obtained the April 1st sum it would probably not have to ask Ottawa again; and declined to enter the loan council scheme. As an alternative it proposed a compulsory conversion scheme and asked Ottawa for a guarantee.

12. Dunning pointed out that the proposed scheme meant unfair discrimination between one class of bondholder and another; and declined to recommend a guarantee to parliament.

13. Negotiations thus ended; Alberta failed to secure the money; the \$3,200,000 issue was not met at maturity. The decision meant that Alberta was going to row its own canoe, in a financial sense. The door to further negotiations, however, is not barred. The federal finance minister is still prepared to wipe the slate clean and start all over again, either with Alberta or any other province, in an attempt to reach a mutually agreeable plan.

14. Other provinces will be dealt with exactly the same as Alberta. British Columbia is the next province with a loan coming due.

H.M. Jackson, Cardston's long range weather prophet, observing signs and tokens, predicts that spring won't come till May 24.

There have been large arrivals of Canadian and Uruguayan wheat in Antwerp this month. During the month of December this port received what from Lithuania, North Africa, Denmark, Poland, Germany, Russia, Turkey, Chile, the Danube and the regular exporting countries. The total for the month was 4,700,000 and since August 1st to December 31st the total arrivals were 23,600,000 bushels of foreign wheat.

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Correspondence between Premier Aberhart and Major Douglas was tabled in the house this week, revealing a suggestion from the Major on Feb. 24, that Alberta adopt Social Credit plan to meet the April 1 bond issue. The Major objected to the appointment of Mr. Magor as financial adviser, but held out hope that he might come to Alberta on payment of \$2000 in advance to finance his trip. He later suggested sending an English administrator who would cost \$3000.

With the annual fee system for drivers licenses now in force, Hon. E. C. Manning hopes that in the course of a year, it may be possible to include a government insurance plan for motorists in this license fee.

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The new school system of Alberta will be effective September 1. Three divisions will be made, elementary, intermediate and high schools.

Government guarantees to encourage development of industry are provided for in a new bill called the Provincial Industries Development Act. This will encourage the processing or manufacture of any natural product. The guarantees might be given through order-in-council.

Gasoline tax arrears amount to \$46,826, from various companies.

The compulsory refunding bill has entered its third reading.

Hon. E. C. Manning announced on Sunday that committees are at work exploring the application of Social Credit in various fields of the province.

Mr. Manning announced that farmers would get their six cent discount on gas tax at the time of purchase.

The consumers' Tax Act imposes a 2 per cent. tax on all articles from 1 cent to 50 cents, and the next division is from 50 cts. to \$1.00. The 1 cent tax will be equally applicable to 5 cent on 50 cent articles under the present form.

Assurances were given in the legislature on Friday by Hon. Charles Cockroft, Provincial Treasurer, that there was no danger of this government imposing the sales tax in places where it could be least borne and because in the bill as it now stands, no provision is made for exempting people on relief, there is no idea of taxing where such cannot be met.

A certain New York restaurant man may be given credit for a rather novel window display. This man didn't have much money for advertising, so he bought the biggest fish bowl he could get hold of, filled it with water, and put it in the window, with this sign: "Filled with invisible gold fish from Argentina." It took seventeen policemen to handle the crowd.

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